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## A HAPPY OCCASION.

Reception to Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Penney by the B. Y. P. U.

The reception tendered to Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Penney at the Baptist chapel Tuesday evening by the Baptist Young People's union was largely attended and very pleasant in every way. The reception lasted from 8 till 10 o'clock, during which time about 200 people paid their respects to Mr. and Mrs. Penney, who received their friends in one of the class rooms. Mrs. H. W. Clark assisted in receiving. The literary and musical program published Tuesday was rendered in a pleasing manner and light refreshments were served. Mr. Penney made a few remarks appropriate to the occasion and all who attended had an enjoyable time. There were many present who were not members of the church or the B. Y. P. U., but who took the opportunity to show their regard for those in whose honor the reception was given.

## PRINCIPAL MURDOCK HEARD

In Place of Professor Mears by the Tuesday Night Institute.

Professor Mears of Williams college was unable to give his lecture before the Tuesday Night institute Tuesday evening on account of illness, and Principal P. F. Murdock of the normal school lectured in his place. Mr. Murdock's subject was "The Teaching of Practical Religion in the Public Schools," and it was handled in a manner which created much interest among the members of the classes. Mr. Murdock is an earnest and forcible speaker and he was heard with the closest attention. The ideas advanced were heartily approved by his hearers, and when Mr. Murdock is announced to lecture at any future time an audience will not be wanting.

## Girl's Friendly Society.

The Girls' Friendly society had a pleasant and profitable meeting in St. John's parish hall Tuesday evening. The principal feature was a lecture by Superintendent Hall on "Language, its Power and Use." Mr. Hall gave the girls a very interesting and instructive talk with illustrations on the blackboard. He showed the use of language, insisting on the power of simple expression, and gave many examples of its abuse common to children and uneducated people. His talk, which lasted for nearly an hour, was full of apt anecdotes which charmed the attention of the audience and lent a peculiar charm to the instruction.

## Resolutions.

At a regular meeting of the North Adams Lodge No. 179 A. O. U. W. held February 9, 1897 the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Master of the Craft to remove from our midst, while yet in the prime of life, our brother, W. M. Dorian and

Whereas, in view of the loss we have sustained by the decease of our friend and the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him, therefore be it

Resolved, That if at but a just tribute to his memory to say that his removal takes from us one who was in every way worthy of our regard and friendship.

Resolved, That in our common sorrow for the loss of our brother we are consoled by the belief that by faithfully performing the duties of a Christian he has secured admittance to that Lodge of everlasting joy whose membership is perpetual.

Resolved, That in view of the first instance in which this rare but unworldly visitor, death has taken a member from our midst the more leniently regret our loss and extend to his sorrowing friends our most heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That as a mark of respect for the dear one who has been so suddenly called for the period of thirty days.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Lodge and a copy thereof be transmitted to the family of the deceased and to each of the daughters of Mr. Dorian.

Helping Him Along.

Porter Parker says my friend, I have looked 18 months for you and am glad to find you. I am glad to find you. I am glad to find you.

Mr. P. M. Hannaford manager of the grocery department of the great house of Siegel, Cooper & Co., Chicago, was located in Java for about nine years, purchasing coffee for Her Majesty's troops and his ability to judge of the quality and flavor of coffee will hardly be questioned.

Experts of Tea, Coffee, Tobacco and Whiskey are not always free users of the article they judge so keenly of. Indeed the reverse is frequently true.

In Mr. Hannaford's family, Postum, the health coffee made by the Postum Cereal Co. Ltd., of Battle Creek, Mich., is used in place of coffee. The immediate cause being that the wife had trouble in digesting coffee and Mr. H., knowing that the grain beverage which looks so much like coffee and which fits the coffee drinker's taste, was a pure and nourishing drink, introduced it to his own family with the result that the old ailments which were directly attributable to coffee-drinking, have materially disappeared.

Proper adjustment of food and drink means good bodies, clear minds and the ability to push to the front and make a success of life while those who insist upon using such dietary articles as they know check digestion and impair the health, will lag in the race for prosperity. The law of the survival of the fittest is plainly marked.

"Just as good" as Postum Cereal are made used to defend the public

## TENDERED A RECEPTION.

Horace Rescott and His Family Pleasantly Remembered by Friends.

At the mansion house Tuesday evening a farewell reception was tendered to Horace Rescott and his family by a company of nearly 40 friends. The reception was held in the dining room and was a very happy affair. Supper was served by Landlord Ryan, and after supper was over State Inspector J. R. Howes, in behalf of the company, presented to Mr. Rescott a beautiful gold chain and to Mrs. Rescott a fine silver set of four pieces. A musical program was rendered and the occasion was highly enjoyed by all present.

During their residence of over a year in this city Mr. Rescott and his family gained many friends who sincerely regret their departure. Mr. Rescott, as is well known, was superintendent of the Trans-america office during his residence in this city, and is now superintendent of the job printing department of the Troy Times. He returned to Troy this forenoon and his family will go on the 8 o'clock train this evening.

## COURT NO JURISDICTION.

Attorney General Files a Petition to Protect the Association.

An interesting petition has been filed by the attorney general in the case of Aaron Barton against the Massachusetts Benefit Life association, which is pending in the Suffolk superior court, in behalf of Insurance Commissioner Merrill and Henry R. Bragg, the chairman of the special commission appointed by the governor, under chapter 515 of the acts of 1895, to investigate the affairs of the company. The intervening petition prays that the bill in equity in this case be dismissed, claiming that under that act the court has no jurisdiction to appoint a receiver for the company, which is the object sought by the bill in equity.

## Fifth Y. M. C. A. Entertainment.

The fifth and last entertainment of the Y. M. C. A. Star course will take place at the Columbia Friday evening, February 19. The Greenleaf Art Troupe company will present one of the excellent performances. The Boston Globe says: "The entertainment given at People's Temple by the Greenleaf Art Troupe company under the direction of the Elizabeth Flower Willis, was a great success and the immense audience in attendance were lavish in their applause."

## District Court.

The cases in court this morning were as follows: George Washington, vagrancy, sentenced to the state farm at Bridgewater. Arthur Garro, drunkenness, released. William F. Gray, drunkenness, fined \$2.00. Leonard Maiolo, attempt to assault with a dangerous weapon, continued until Thursday morning under \$500 bonds. Joseph Gaudette, enticing a young girl to leave home, continued until February 18.

## Tuberculosis at Pownall.

A. E. Towles's cow in which Tuberculosis was suspected, was examined Tuesday by Dr. Burgess. He found the disease in the intestines and liver. It was not far enough advanced to affect the lungs. Dr. Burgess and Mr. Sanford then went to Pownall center, where five diseased cattle were found in the herd of Leander Thompson.

## Annual Supper and Sale.

The annual sale of fancy and useful articles by the Ladies' Aid society of the F. M. T. A. will be held in Columbia hall this evening. The ladies will serve supper in the society rooms early in the evening. Dancing will be in order in the opera house later. The affair promises to be a great success.

## AMUSEMENTS.

Ballet Soiree at the Columbia.

The track-laying scene in Daniel Sullivan's great play, "O'Brien, the Contractor," is something new in stage realism and is one of the most striking, novel, and truthful stage pictures ever attempted. At the Columbia Thursday evening.

## Stevenson Defeats Feeley.

A special election was held at Pittsfield Tuesday for representative in the 4th Berkshire district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of E. N. Robbins. John M. Stevenson, Republican, won over John R. Feeley, Democrat, by a majority of 223.

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## VOCAL SOCIETY CONCERT

Was Well Attended and Enjoyed. Society Much Improved.

The seventh concert by the Vocal society was held Tuesday evening in Columbia opera house. The concert was the second of the winter's series and the attendance was larger than at the previous ones. The program was well selected, not long, and admirably rendered. The work of the society showed considerable improvement since the preceding concert. Several of the numbers were very difficult, but were well given and plainly showed the conscientious efforts of the members. The Johnson Quintette club of Boston was the feature of the evening and their renditions were received with much favor.

## Y. M. C. A. CONFERENCE.

A Number of Members of the Local Association Will Attend.

A conference of the eighth and ninth districts of the Young Men's Christian association of Massachusetts and Rhode Island will be held at Chilopoe Falls, February 23, 24 and 25.

The following are some of the topics that will be discussed: "Association Possibilities in Large and Small Towns"; "The Obligations of Association Membership"; "The Coming Men"; "Importance of Bible Classes"; "In what Respect should the Association Resemble or Differ from Social Clubs?"; "District Athletics." Several members of the local association will attend.

## Her Pay for Housework.

The civil case of Elizabeth Davis vs. John Reagan was tried in court this morning. The plaintiff sued to recover \$23 which the defendant owed her for housework and money borrowed. Lawyer Phelps and Couch appeared for the plaintiff and defendant, respectively. Judgment was given in favor of Mrs. Davis.

## An Evening of Pleasure.

The young ladies who are to take part in the entertainment to be given February 16 by the King's Daughters of the Universalist church met at the home of Mrs. Charles A. Kendall on East Main street Tuesday evening. Whist was enjoyed and refreshments were served, and all were highly entertained.

## Stamford Sugar Eat.

The annual ride and sugar eat of the Stamford Methodist church will occur Wednesday evening, February 17. Arrangements will be made by the committee of the North Adams Methodist church as usual. All are cordially invited.

## New President Elected.

The directors of the Adams Power company have chosen Alfred Mendenhall president, in place of Robert Mendenhall, who is seriously ill in New York.

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Dr. George F. Simpson is in New York city for a few days.

A son was born February 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin Ray of Vezie street.

Mrs. William Parmelee of Chestnut street will entertain the Thimble club Thursday afternoon.

Miss Cora Button, graduate of the Bliss business college has taken a position as invoice clerk at the Windsor print works.

Miss Maggie Armstrong and Miss Hattie Graham of this city, and J. B. Peake of Williamstown entered Bliss business college this week.

Mrs. Eliza Gifford, who had been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Houghton of Hall street for two weeks, returned Tuesday to her home in Valley Falls, N. Y.

Next Sunday evening the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will have charge of the service at St. John's Church. Addresses will be made by laymen, members of the order.

An invitation is extended to all members of Post 79, G. A. R., both active and associate, and friends to be present and unite with the sons of Veterans in the proper observance of Union Defender's Day, Friday evening at 8 o'clock in G. A. R. hall.

About 30 employees of H. T. Cadys shoe factory went to Idlewild for a supper and dance Tuesday evening. Special cars took the party from Main street to Williamstown where two large sleighs were found in waiting in which to finish the journey. The evening was very pleasantly passed.

## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

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## CHINAMEN TAKE ACTION.

They Will Give a Reception to the Retiring Pastor.

About 20 Chinamen who are members of the Baptist Sunday school will give a reception to Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Penney at the Baptist chapel next Monday evening. Over 200 persons have been invited and the reception will be a pleasant affair.

## THE CARRIAGE MAKERS.

How the Lesson of the Bicycle Might Greatly Benefit Them.

"As a result of the indifference shown to the bicycle in its early days the carriage trade," says one of its representatives, "has lost what might have been a valuable adjunct. It is undeniable that the average carriage man is very slow to take up any thing out of the usual forms or styles. We can learn from the bicycle incident. We have seen the progress of the bicycle, from one high wheel and a little wheel behind up to the equalization of the big and little wheels in the form of the safety. Pneumatic tires gave the greatest impulse to the bicycle industry. When the carriage man speaks of pneumatic tired vehicles, the first thing that occurs to him is that they are not good because they do not look right."

"Let us consider their advantages. The first feature is their riding qualities, which is the essential quality for any good vehicle. Next we should place the draft. Various scientific tests have placed the carrying in draft, under various conditions, at from 80 to 60 per cent. These two qualities would be enough in any other line of trade; but, to continue, the pneumatic tire renders a low wheel possible, with the result of obtaining a very short turning carriage, without a cut under; also a carriage very easy of entrance without having to climb over the wheel. Another point is in avoiding almost entirely the throwing of mud in speeding, or any mud, for that matter. The pneumatic tire throws no mud forward. What little mud is caught up at all falls backward and rarely comes so high as the side of the seat. It is maintained that one of the chief advantages of the pneumatic tire is that it permits the use of a wire, or, as it is more correctly called, suspension, wheel."

"All the points above named apply as well to a pneumatic tired wooden wheel as to the suspension, but the latter is undoubtedly the strongest wheel it is possible to make. A bicycle wheel weighing under three pounds carries a load of 150 pounds and upward safely. Compare this with carriage wheels' weights and loads. The only disadvantages of the pneumatic tires are these: Liability to puncture, which is now practically obviated, and the expense, which, for the tires alone, is no more than for solid rubber tires on high wheels. The effect of the general introduction of pneumatic tired vehicles among carriage users would be stupendous. By far the larger number of carriage users, particularly of carriages of good grade, are more or less creatures of fashion, and should the carriage trade be able to introduce pneumatic tired work it would promote an immediate expansion of the carriage market."—New York Sun.

## An Odd French Race.

Our friends the French have initiated the Americans in race giving and have gone so on better. We have been running unopposed races for some time where the opponents started from opposite sides of the track, and now the French have given the matter some thought and have decided that the scheme is good. But they have improved upon it by modifying it to have the race finish when one of the contestants is caught, no matter whether it be one mile or 100 miles, though there are hardly two men in the world so equally matched as to make a race of this kind last longer than 25 miles. In America this style of racing has proved popular, as it showed clearly who was the best man, as if the race was scheduled for ten miles, as was the race between Starbuck and Linton, and one man caught the other at three miles, as was also the case with Starbuck and Linton, then the remaining seven miles became a farce.—American Wheelman.

## Cycling in Fairmount Park.

During the year 1896 there passed through the various gates of entrance in Fairmount park, Philadelphia, 808,267 bicycles, or more than twice as many bicycles as there were of all other vehicles combined with equestrians, the total number of both for the year being only 418,392. An average of less than one wheelman in each 400 was injured. The exact number of injured was 218, while the accidents were accounted for as follows: Seventy-one injured by collisions with carriages, 92 injured by collision with bicycles, 13 machines broken by collision with bridges, 18 broken by collision with fences, 7 broken by collision with walls, 1 broken by collision with a tree, 10 broken by upsetting, 4 broken by turning short, 17 broken by unskillful riders, 1 broken by a fall into a trench, 1 broken by a runaway horse and 165 fires punctured. The above figures were collected by the park police.—Exchange.

## Men Are Such Stupid Things, Anyway.

"I don't like to ride my bicycle now," said the fair young girl, "because of the wind."

The young man slightly blushed. "Of course," he was strips of lead or something," he stammered.

"Strips of lead for what?"

The young man blushed again. The room seemed painfully hot.

"Why, in the heat of your skirts," he stammered.

"My skirts?" echoed the tall beauty. "I'm not talking about my skirts. It's my frizzes that the wind blows out."

And the youth went forth into the cool night and butted his head against the first lamppost.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## AM AFTERNOON.

"I hear, Mrs. Dorley, that your husband has two revolvers and a Winchester for any burglar who may call."

"He had, but they came the other night and got them."—Detroit Free Press.

## RECEIVED.

George—I just saw you coming from the conservatory with Miss Goldie. Rather handsome girl, but too reserved for me. Thomas—Yes, I just reserved her for life.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## BLACKINTON.

The St. David day committee will meet on Saturday evening at the residence of Harry Hamer.

The wearing department of the Blackinton mill will start up Monday morning, February 15.

Room one of the Blackinton school was closed Tuesday owing to an accident to the teacher, Miss Susan B. Richards, who received a bad fall on the ice while on her way to school in the morning.

As the Williamstown town meeting draws near a few rumors are heard of a new board of selectmen and it has been suggested that the voters of this part of the town get together and decide upon a candidate from the east end.

## His Identity.

Stranger—who is that gentleman coming in the street? Village Lad.—That ain't no gentleman. It's my pa.—New York Sunday World.

## A Foster Romance.

Said a flame red boy to a shy blue girl: "I'm very glad I've found you. But, say, will the paint on your gown rub off?" "I'll put my arm around you!"—Chicago Record.

## Others.

"Is the sail the only thing that guides a ship?" asked the green passenger. "No," said the mate; "there are rud-ders."—Indianapolis Journal.

## And He Was One.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going home hunting, sir," she said. "May I go with you, my pretty maid?" "I'm not looking for a kind sir," she said. —New York Sunday Journal.

"I was taken with a very lame back this winter," said Mr. W. D. Vandenberg to our representative who called at his residence 92 Beaver street. "It caused me much distress and inconvenience. It gave me excruciating pain to strengthen up after bending forward and my back ached constantly. Dizziness and headache accompanied this and I seemed to be tired all the time. I was in a pretty bad way when some one mentioned Doan's Kidney Pills to me and I read some of the reports. They convinced me that they were just what I required and I obtained a box at Burlington & Darby. Almost at once I found relief. The pain in my back ceased and I was no longer troubled with stiffness and soreness over my kidneys. I suggested that she try them. Knowing what they had done for me, she completely relieved her in a day or two. She was as well as ever. Our combined experience justifies us in recommending Doan's Kidney Pills and you are welcome to give our statement to the public if it will influence sufferers from kidney trouble to use a genuine remedy."

This is only one statement among the many we are daily receiving of the workings of Doan's Kidney Pills. Doan's Kidney Pills have cured hundreds of cases of kidney and bladder disorders in North Adams. We have published many of them and will continue to publish many more. If your back is lame, weak or aching, a few of the pills will satisfy you that you can be relieved and cured. For sale by all dealers or by mail on receipt of price. Fifty cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50. Foster-McIlburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

It is pretty evident that the place for the princess is a lunatic asylum, that for her companion is a jail.—Frisco Report.

There is certainly nothing in the career of the Princess Caraman-Chimay that any self-respecting American girl would want to follow.—Cleveland Press.

## ERRATIC CHIMAY.

Help Wanted.

A young Girl to work in the printing department of the Transcript Office. Apply at 8 a. m., Thursday morning. h 220

## SHAKESPEARE

Wrote a sad play when his genius had conceived the pitiful story of Romeo and Juliet. He himself thought that he had done a lonesome job for he says in the closing lines: "For never was a story of more woe than this of Juliet and her Romeo." We have psychically commented on Juliet and her Romeo for several days,